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For: METHODS FOR TREATING VIRAL INFECTION USING IL-28 AND IL-29

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**Amendments to the Claims**

Please amend claims 62, 65 and 66.

Per 37 C.F.R. §1.121, the current status of all the claims in the present application is presented below, amended claims are notated to indicated changes made and the text of pending claims not being amended are presented clean. Amendments to the following are indicated by underlining what has been added and striking-through what has been deleted.

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-61 (canceled)

Claim 62 (currently amended): A method of treating a viral infection comprising administering to an immunocompromised mammal with a ~~viral~~hepatitis infection a therapeutically effective amount of a polypeptide comprising ~~an~~the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:34, wherein after administration of the polypeptide the ~~viral~~hepatitis infection is reduced.

Claim 63 (previously presented): The method of claim 62 wherein the polypeptide is conjugated to a polyalkyl oxide moiety.

Claim 64 (previously presented): The method of claim 63 wherein the polyalkyl oxide moiety is a polyethylene glycol.

Claim 65 (currently amended): The method of claim 62 wherein the ~~viral~~hepatitis infection is a hepatitis B infection.

Claim 66 (currently amended): The method of claim 62 wherein the ~~viral~~hepatitis infection is a hepatitis C infection.